

GOOD STORY ON POINDEXTER BEHIND KAU DITCH MEASURE

Thought He'd Get Protests
from Hawaii, But Not
One Came

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[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 19.—The bill granting a franchise to John T. McCrosson and associates to construct an irrigating ditch in the Kau district finally slipped through the Senate without a word of protest. The curious circumstance was that on the preceding day it had been taken from the calendar and returned to the committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico, at the request of Senator Clapp, now acting as head of the committee since the elimination of Mr. Lorimer. He announced that it was desired to make some changes to meet objections raised by Senator Poindexter.

For many weeks Mr. Poindexter had prevented action on the ditch bill because he violently opposed the provision permitting the sale of stock and bonds 100 per cent. in excess of the capital really invested. He believed that 20 per cent. would be a fair allowance. It was said that 50 per cent. would have been satisfactory to those interested in the project.

After the measure was sent back to committee Mr. Poindexter withdrew his opposition overnight and the bill was again reported the following day and passed without discussion. The only change made was the insertion of a stipulation that the sale of stock and bonds should not exceed the limitations provided by law.

When asked for an explanation of his position by the Star-Bulletin correspondent, Senator Poindexter said: "I opposed the ditch bill because it permitted the issue of stock and bonds in an amount equal to the capital invested. I considered this excessive, believing a 20 or 30 per cent. margin ample. I delayed consideration of the measure for several weeks, expecting daily to hear from people in Hawaii acquainted with the circumstances and interested in the project. It was my impression that many would write and give their views. Not a letter or communication of any kind was received. I had no personal interest in the matter and finally determined that if the citizens of Hawaii did not care there was no real reason why I should do so."

"As the bill passed the Senate the issue of stock and bonds is governed solely by the laws effective in the Territory of Hawaii, if there be any, and the statutes of the United States applicable to that Territory. There is no other limitation imposed."

Following are the building permits issued since last report. They include: Lau Choy architect and builder; \$900. Macfarlane & Co., Ltd., alterations, Bethel street; M. & Co., builder; \$1,000.

Oahu College, dormitory, O. C. grounds; Emory & Webb, architects; Pacific Engineering Co., builder; \$82,861. Spitzer, dwelling, Nuanu street; R. Myata & Co., builders; \$600.

W. A. Welbourn, dwelling, Eleventh avenue, Kaimuki; Henry L. Knaack, architect and builder; \$2660. T. Ah Kong, dwelling, Liliha street; T. Ah Kong, architect and builder; \$1600.

Y. Kobayashi, dwelling, Judd street; Y. Kobayashi, architect and builder; \$1400. Charles Brewer, Ltd., bakery, Palm Cafe, Hotel street; Ripley & Reynolds, architects; Pacific Engineering Co., builders; \$700.

C. M. Cooke, Ltd., repair roof on Elks' building, King street; H. L. Kerr, architect; Pacific Engineering Co., builder; \$1000. Young Tim, two dwellings, Rowland lane; Wong Sun, architect; Wing Tai & Co., builders; \$1200.

Young Tim, two dwellings, Rowland lane; Wong Sun, architect; Wing Tai & Co., builders; \$1300. S. Takahashi, concrete floor and repairing, King street; R. Miyata, builder; \$1000.

A. W. Carter, dwelling, Judd, cor. Liliha street; J. H. Craig, architect; A. W. Carter, builder; \$10,000. Laparus Keawepoole, move buildings, Luso street; \$200.

G. B. Schneider, dwelling, Matlock avenue; Ripley, Reynolds & Davis, architects; S. Tamuro, builder; \$575. Honolulu Gas Co., warehouse, Ocean View; F. Holmberg, architect; H. Mastuto, builder; \$590.

M. Robello, dwelling, Funchal street; Fernandez & Tavares, builders; \$760. E. C. Winston, dwelling, Barotania street; Acetylene Light Co., builder; \$1100.

Mrs. U. Storm, dwelling, 17th avenue, Kaimuki; A. E. Troel, architect; Y. Mujes, builder; \$650.

MORE TIME FOR STALL-KEEPERS

Stallkeepers in the city markets, who have persisted in ignoring the provisions of a city and county ordinance compelling them to protect meat, fish and other articles of food offered for sale, from dirt, flies or other insects, by screens, will be given until August 13 to provide the necessary screens or covers for their wares.

The Supreme Court decision, which sustains the ordinance and makes its provisions effective, has caused the city and county supervisors to sit up and take notice of the constant and flagrant violation of a law passed by unanimous vote.

"We have consulted the city and county attorney's department," stated Chairman Kruger of the health and sanitation committee this morning. "We have been advised that we may give the tardy stallkeepers at the market until Tuesday, August 13, to provide their places of business with the screens as designated by the city ordinance."

"If the stallkeepers then persist in violating the law, the police department must take action against the offenders."

Dr. J. T. Wayson, city and county physician, served notice on a large delegation of vendors doing business at the city markets this morning.

Magistrate Butts in the West Side police court, New York, established a precedent for judges by dispensing justice in his shirt sleeves.

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HOOD BRANDS JAPANESE SCARE AS JINGOISM

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., July 2.—"The United States has nothing to fear from the Japanese in Hawaii in my opinion," said Edward Hood of Honolulu, a former Californian, who has large interests in Hawaii, at the Raleigh.

"It is true, as General Carter told the committee of Congress, that there are upward of 30,000 Japanese in the Islands, but they are not all trained soldiers, and in Hawaii we have never feared, and do not fear now, that they have any but the most friendly feeling toward this country. I agree with those who are urging that this government should be prepared for any trouble; that, in my opinion, is what should be prepared for in any country."

"The Japanese in Hawaii are decreasing in numbers, and have been for several years. Most of them are employed on the plantations. Some are in business. They mind their own affairs, as a rule. For the most part, the Japanese in Hawaii remain in the islands only long enough to keep them comfortably in Japan, and then, with their families, go back home."

"The departures of the Japanese from Hawaii have been larger than the arrivals recently, and I think this will be confirmed by almost any one familiar with the situation in Hawaii. We are getting more Portuguese than any other people."—Washington Post.

PEASANTS FIND RICH TREASURE

ST. PETERSBURG, July 25.—While some peasants were digging in a field in the village of Malai recently, they unearthed an old chest containing treasure to the value of \$50,000. The treasure was in gold and silver coins of the fourth century and several gold and silver vessels.

One of these was a large dish of damascened gold with a richly embossed rim incrustured with precious stones. A Latin inscription shows that this dish was at one time in the possession of a Bishop who lived in the eleventh century. A similar dish was embossed with the image of Sapor II, a Persian monarch of the fourth century. Other articles were eleven solid gold Persian cups.

The laborers kept the treasure in a cottage for a long time, thinking it was brass and lead. It was through their efforts to make a bargain with the owner of the field on their own valuation that the true worth of the metal in the chest was discovered.

ARTIFICIAL RUBBER FACTORY IN HOLLAND

A factory to produce artificial rubber has been established in Ymuiden, the port at the mouth of the North Sea canal. It is said that the company instituting this factory has succeeded in producing a substance having the qualities of rubber and also certain special advantages over genuine rubber.

The process is a secret, but the principal ingredient of the product is said to be fresh sea fish, which are brought to Ymuiden in vast quantities by the Dutch fishing fleets. According to report 15 to 16 per cent of natural rubber is added to the fish, and the result is a substance as flexible and elastic as rubber, but much cheaper—about as 1.25 to 8 in price, compared with real rubber.

The low price of this product will be caused partly by the by-products which are possible, for it is said that much albumin will be made from the fish and that half of the factory is arranged for the manufacture of guano.

It is stated that this artificial rubber can be vulcanized in a short time; that it is benzine-proof and can resist the effect of heat. At first sight the substance much resembles real rubber. A slightly fishy smell betrays the chief ingredient, but it is explained that this will be prevented by extracting the fat of the fish.

Two aeroplanes were sent to the governor of Torreon, in Mexico. It is thought they are to be used in scout work against the rebels.

BACHELOR WOMEN REBUKEPREACHER

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., July 25.—When Rev. Elmer V. Huffer, just resigned as pastor of the First Christian Church, delivered a sermon recently advocating the exile of old maids to a barren island as waste humanity, he anticipated local resentment, possibly, but hardly expected to find himself at issue with Miss Helen Gould of New York.

In a letter he received yesterday, Miss Gould declared that many preachers would be without work and without wives and homes were it not for old maids. Miss Gould's letter follows:

"Glancing over a Denver paper I notice an item concerning your sermon on 'Love, courtship and marriage.' One part of which I especially notice, saying that all old bachelors and bachelor maids should be isolated on an island so that they could not hinder the progress of civilization. I do not know why you make this statement, but I feel that it is a great injustice to the bachelor maids of our country. There are, I admit, many men haters in the world, but a great many bachelor maids are not living alone because they so choose, but because they have been unable to find a suitable companion."

"I must admit that I am speaking from the standpoint of the bachelor maid. I feel that such people as myself are not hindering the progress of civilization, but advancing it. If I had found a suitable helpmate I might have spent my money in a different way, and a way which might not have done so much good as it has."

Another letter of protest from Miss E. L. King of Monterey, Cal., reads: "I noticed in a paper not long since that you favored sending old maids and bachelors to some isolated island, as they are a menace to civilization and do no good. What you forget to mention was what good such unmarried women as Helen Gould, Anne Morgan, myself and various others have done. Helen Gould has a summer home for the waifs of New York city."

"I have supported an invalid sister for a number of years, so have been of some little use in the world. 'I think if it were not for the dear old maids some preachers would be hunting other jobs. My heart is not callous to the opposite sex, but if I ever get a husband I want a broad-minded man.'"

COULDN'T DO IT, BUT WE DID

When the protective tariff was really a national issue in political contests of twenty years ago the protectionists had a sentimental asset of great value in the fact that they claimed that we could manufacture certain things in America quite as well as they could be made in Europe, while the free-traders claimed that we could not. In the campaign of 1890, the McKinley bill, which had recently been enacted, was bitterly attacked by the campaign orators, and one of the chief points of attack was the tariff on tin plates. It was stated that "we could never compete successfully with Wales in the manufacture of the plates and that the tariff was simply robbery of the American consumers."

Pieces of tin were circulated as campaign literature; a piece of good English tin with the pictures of Democratic candidates on it and a piece of poor American tin with the statement that this was the stuff we must use in future instead of good English tin because of the iniquitous McKinley tariff.

After a score of years of protection to the industry in America, it is interesting to read that Swansea in Wales is greatly disturbed at the large amount of tin plates being shipped from America to Japan. There were recently two large consignments of American tin plates in Liverpool, one for Smyrna and the other for London, and these shipments are said to be the forerunners of many others.

In the matter of tin plates the "we cans" seem to have the better of the argument with the "we cant's."—Baton Commercial Bulletin.

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PROMOTION BOARD WILL DISCUSS FLORAL PARADE

It is expected that the meeting of the Hawaii Promotion Committee this afternoon will be largely taken up in consulting Charles F. Chillingworth, director of the 1913 Floral Parade, as to his plans.

Secretary H. P. Wood has received a postcard from Bandmaster Berger, dated at the Wilmersdorf Hotel, Berlin, July 10, in which he says: "Arrived in Berlin. Long trip. Distributed all promotion literature. All like it. Let you know later."

Word from the Chinese ball team has been received in the following postcard message: "MONTREAL, July 21, 1912.—Arrived here last night. Had no trouble with the Immigration Inspector. Will play this afternoon and be back to Vermont tomorrow morning. All the boys are in good health, enjoying themselves traveling. Aloha."

CHINA NOW NEAR TO MILITARY DICTATORSHIP

PEKING, July 25.—The military commanders in Peking held a meeting today, at which they resolved to urge President Yuan Shih Kai to insist that the Assembly approve his selection of members of the Cabinet. Otherwise, the commanders declare, they will assume control of affairs personally. This action toward a personal dictatorship of Yuan Shih Kai supported by the military has been expected for some time.

NEW - TODAY

REMOVAL NOTICE.

Dr. J. J. Carey, dentist, has removed his office from Room 307 Boston Building, to Room 10, Pantheon Building, corner Hotel and Fort streets. 5304-1t.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

Dr. J. H. Farrell, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, has removed his office from Room 308, Boston Building, to Rooms 9 and 10, Pantheon Building, corner of Hotel and Fort, where he will be permanently located after August 2, 1912. 5304-2t

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE First Circuit, Territory of Hawaii.—In the matter of the Estate of Ernest Cummings, a Minor. On reading and filing the Petition of J. Alfred Magoon, guardian of said Ernest Cummings, a minor, praying for an order of sale of certain real estate belonging to his ward, situate on the islands of Molokai, Maui and Oahu, as per list on file, and setting forth certain legal reasons why such real estate should be sold; It is hereby Ordered, that the heirs and next of kin of said minor and all persons interested in the said estate, appear before this Court on Monday, the 26th day of August, A. D. 1912, at 9 o'clock a. m., at the courtroom of this Court, in the City of Honolulu, then and there to show cause why an order should not be granted for the sale of such estate. By the Court: J. A. DOMINIS, Clerk. Dated, Honolulu, August 2, 1912. 5304—Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23



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